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MANPOWER SHORTAGE IN "KARL MARKS" PLANT -- Stalin, Stalinsko Zname, 27 Aug 53

The buildings of the "Karl Marks" State Soda Plant in Reka Devnya, Stalin Okoliya, are nearing completion. The Council of Ministers and the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party have decreed that the plant must begin operations by the end of 1953. The responsibility for meeting this deadline falls on the specialists and foremen, scaffolders, masons and fitters whose work is not progressing satisfactorily. Provadiya Okoliya must secure 40 scaffolders, 90 masons, 1 fitter, 50 cartwrights, and 150 other workers. The members of the Provadiya Okoliya People's Soviet have tried to remedy the situation and the chief of the planning section, D. Petrov, has gone through the okoliya several times to find workers. Local people's soviets have assisted him in procuring 2 scaffolders, 24 masons, 120 cartwrights, 1 fitter, and 47 other workers, or 1/4 of the 330 331 workers needed. The majority of the workers at the plant come from the villages of Karamanite, St Karadzha, Devnya, and Kaloyan. These workers have already concluded and fulfilled their contracts, but more workers, especially foremen, must be procured.

There are enough carpenters, masons, and other workers in the villages of Provadiya Okoliya to supply this need but more explanatory work by party and youth organizations must be done to obtain these workers.

Stalinsko Zname, 29 Aug 53

The "Fabrichno Zavodski Stroezi" (Factory and Plant Constructions) of DSO (Duzhzhavno Stroitelno Obединenie, State Construction Association) seeks scaffolders, masons, and plasterers to report for work immediately at the "Karl Marks" State Soda Plant.

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CABLEWAY INSTALLATION AT "KARL MARKS" PLANT -- Ruse, Dunavska Pravda, 13 Aug 53

The "Karl Marks" State Soda Plant has begun installing a cableway. A brigade under the direction of Dimitur Nedkov has begun assembling with an automatic crane, seven of the steel towers each weighing 1,780 kilograms.

CHIMNEY COMPLETED AT "KARL MARKS" PLANT -- Stalin, St. Ianko Zname, 1 Sep 53

The 90-meter chimney at the "Karl Marks" State Soda Plant has been completed.

RETAIL PRICES OF IMPORTED CHEMICALS -- Sofia, Izvestiya, 21 Apr 53

According to an extract from Regulation (Razporezhdane) No 458 of the Council of Ministers, uniform retail prices (in leva per kilogram) are established for imported chemicals as follows: ammonium chloride, 20; ammonium bicarbonate, 16; acetone, 40; powdered alum, 6; calcined soda, 4; crystallized sodium sulfite for photographic purposes, 6; anhydrous sodium sulfite for photographic purposes, 20; sodium benzoate, 50; glacial acetic acid, 80; tannin for viniculture, 45; shellac, 320; crystallized soda for the treatment of boards, 2.40; and cream of tartar, 40.

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